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This settlement is weak and slanted towards Microsoft. Recent events have shown that even if corporations have heavy political influence, for the good of the US they must be kept in check. I don't think that Microsoft should be broken up, but I do think that they should pay 10s of billions (their cash assets) back to the US and open source Internet Explorer(IE) using a BSD(see www.opensource.org) like license. Removing IE from Windows now would mean that Microsoft can just push it back on compliant windows versions by letting/making the user install it with their windows update system.

The only way to rectify the incompatibility and market share Microsoft has caused with its browser is to make it open to all other operating systems to use and restrict how Microsoft can alter it. Forcing Microsoft to release IE and all future changes using a BSD style license can correct most of these problems.

Thank you, Chris Hamilton - Ohio